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**To:** Microsoft ATR  
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**Subject:** Microsoft Settlement

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to you under the auspices of the Tunney Act to express my great disappointment in the Proposed Final Judgement in the case of the US vs. Microsoft. In my opinion, the proposed settlement does not adequately punish the acts detailed in the findings of fact, which stated rather unequivocally that Microsoft used its monopoly power to damage its competitors unfairly.

The current settlement is little more than a slap on the wrist, and is disturbingly similar to the consent decree of 1995, where Microsoft promised to amend its behavior in the marketplace. Clearly, as Microsoft's legally defined anti-trust violations demonstrate, the consent decree was completely ineffective in correcting Microsoft's anti-competitive behavior.

I am a computer programmer by profession. In my opinion, the actions of Microsoft do far more harm than good in the industry, stifling creativity and alternatives, while foisting second-rate software on the population through their operating system monopoly. I beg you to reconsider the settlement terms in the anti-trust case.

Thank you for your attention.

-- Edward Liu  
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